

**STATEMENT UNDER 37 CFR 3.73(b)**

Atty. Docket No. 13974US02

Applicant/Patent Owner: John R. Bianchi and Kevin C. Carter

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Entitled: CERVICAL TAPERED DOWEL

RTI Biologics, Inc., a corporation

(Name of Assignee)

(Type of Assignee: corporation, partnership, university, government agency, etc.)

states that it is:

1. ☒ The assignee of the entire right, title, and interest; or
2. ☐ an assignee of less than the entire right, title, and interest  
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OR

- B. ☒ A chain of title from the inventor(s), of the patent application/patent identified above, to the current assignee as follows:

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2. From Regeneration Technologies, Inc., Alabama Tissue Center, Inc., RTI Services, Inc. and Biological Recovery Group, Inc. To: Merrill Lynch Business Financial Services, Inc. through its division Merrill Lynch Capital  
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- ☒ Additional documents in the chain of title are listed on a supplemental sheet.

☐ As required by 37 CFR 3.73(b)(1)(i), the documentary evidence of the chain of title from the original owner to the assignee was, or concurrently is being, submitted for recordation pursuant to 37 CFR 3.11.

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The undersigned (whose title is supplied below) is authorized to act on behalf of the assignee.

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Date

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